



SAFE AI AT CARIAD



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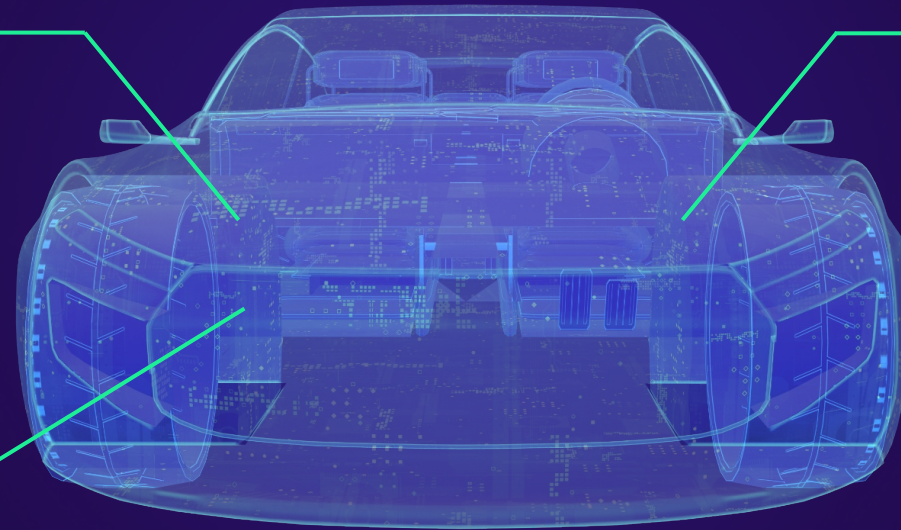
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Opportunities

The automotive industry is in the midst of a software revolution - a beginning of a new era

New tech capabilities

- // Artificial intelligence
- // Virtual & augmented reality
- // Quantum computing



New revenue streams

- // Function on demand
- // Updates & upgrades
- // Data & e-commerce

New customer expectations

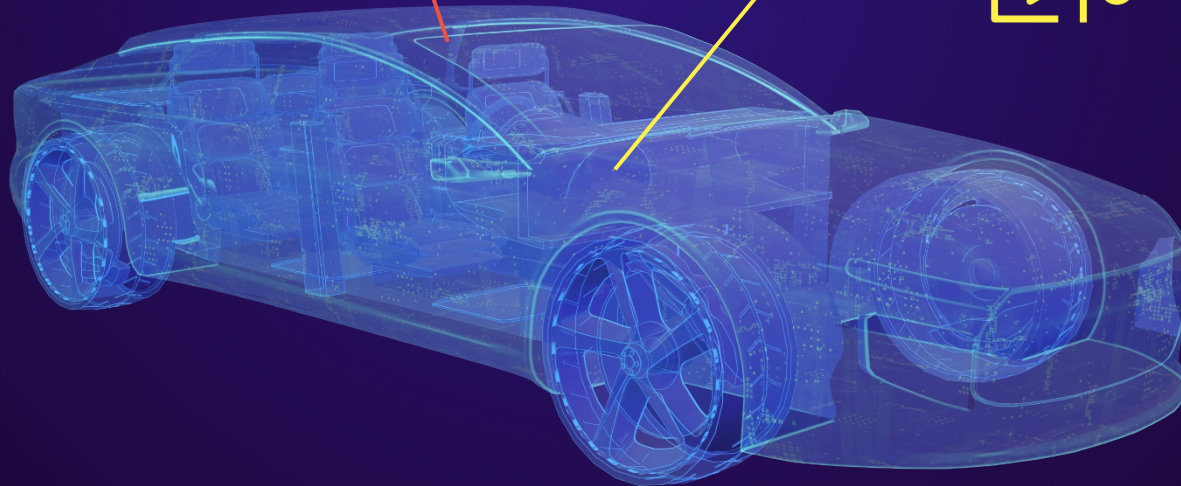
- // Assisted & automated driving
- // Always up-to-date over lifetime
- // Immersive user experience

CARIAD makes automotive mobility safer,
more comfortable and more sustainable...



The 'Driver'

RELAX & BE SAFE



The Digital Experience

ENJOY THE RIDE &
STAY CONNECTED

... and enables the future of the Volkswagen Group brands



Updatability

Constant updates for the best, always fresh customer experiences.



Speed

Seamless software platform and intelligent data analysis speed up development and time to market.



Scalability

One platform from entry-level to top-end getting better each day thanks to large amounts of data collected by VW Group fleet.



Simplicity

One unified platform reduces complexity.



Customer orientation

Data-oriented development helps to learn from and react to customers' needs.



New revenue streams

Enabling new digital business models: From after-sales to monetizing third-party apps.

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Safety for ADAS means combining multiple streams

Evidence Provision for safety argument

Safety arguments will rely on a safety concept, mitigation techniques and test evidence.

Evidence generation / validation

Validation of Components

Within development: need for validation reuse (e.g. open loop component tests, safety performance indicators)

Reusable closed-loop testing

Handling the building blocks of driving – mostly on object level
Can be improved by simulation of perception failures

Validation in fleets

Testing the full stack in Shadow most and campaign-based testing both in real-world traffic and on proving grounds

Argument of residual risk

Statistically sound performance estimates
Development according to SOTA
Mitigation techniques for known failures

System Design allowing for resilience

Using SW design paradigms to raise Safety by design.
Focusing design decisions on resulting safety performance.

Mechanisms to reduce validation needs

How to overcome the validation load



Systematic understanding and data-driven approach to validation will lead to manageable efforts

Embracing uncertainties

How to deal with the big unknown

Many sources of uncertainty for Safe AI and Safe Systems

- Changing regulations (EU AI Act, ISO PAS 8800)
- Continually changing ODD
- Rare corner cases
- Rapid technological progress in AI
- Incremental development



Safety and Safe AI are developed incrementally as well

- Performance estimation and definition of safety-mechanisms in a data-driven fashion
- Derivation of situational performance requirements based on overall performance

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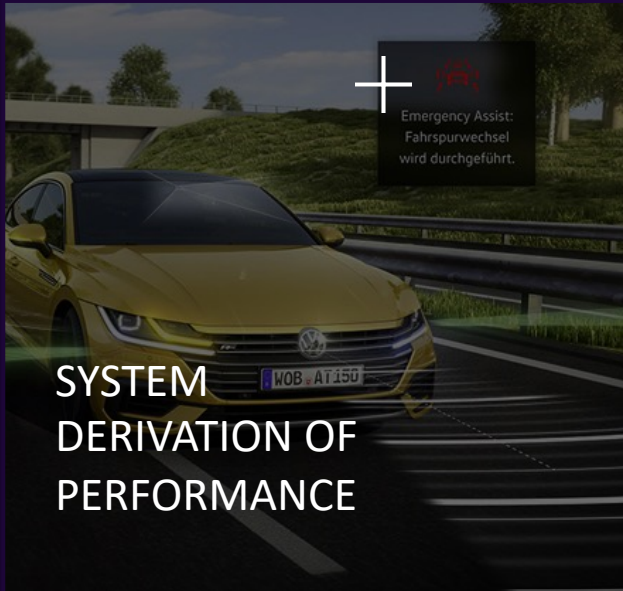
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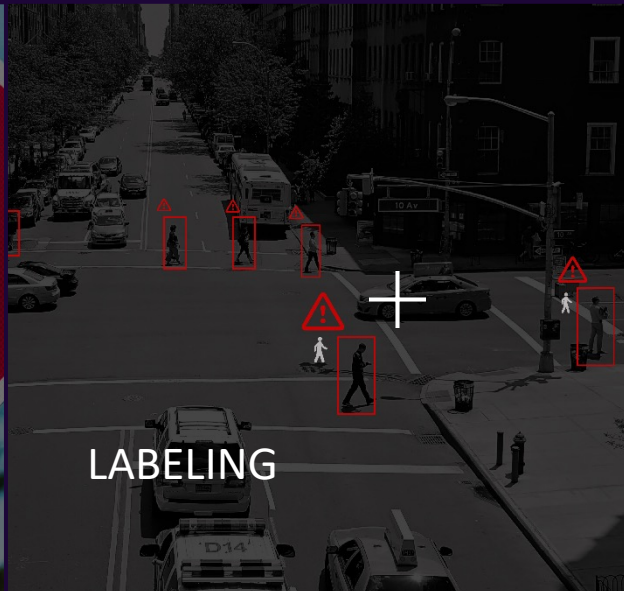
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SYSTEM
DERIVATION OF
PERFORMANCE



ROBUSTNESS



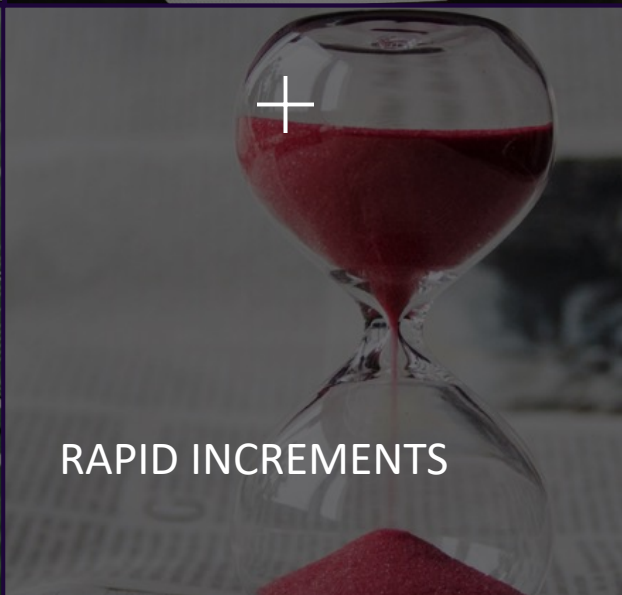
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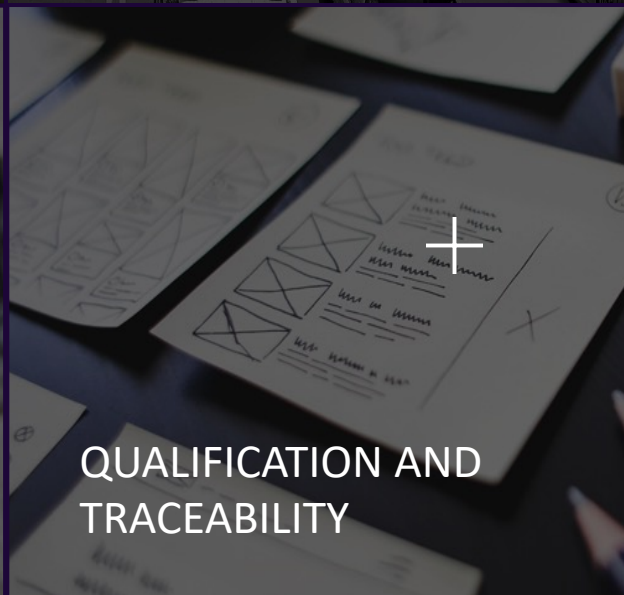
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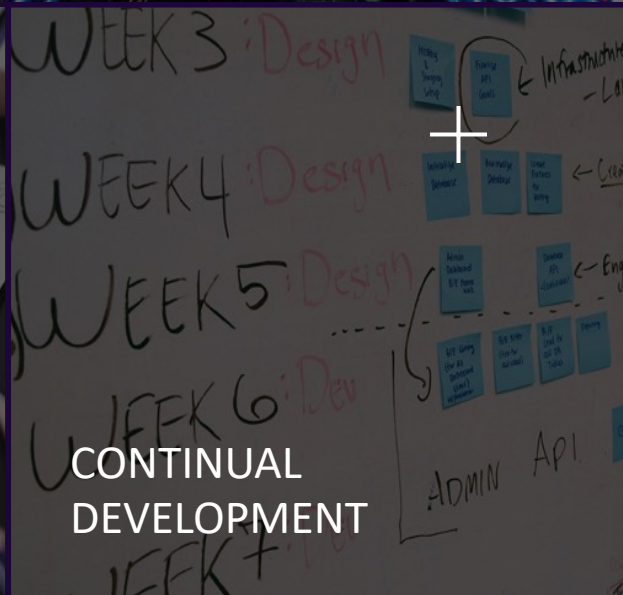
ORGANISATIONAL
EXCELLENCE



RAPID INCREMENTS



QUALIFICATION AND
TRACEABILITY



CONTINUAL
DEVELOPMENT

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The relevance of test data samples changes over time

Shifting Label Class Limits

Contextually Different Assessments

New Classes Appearing

Distributional Shifts, Domain Drifts

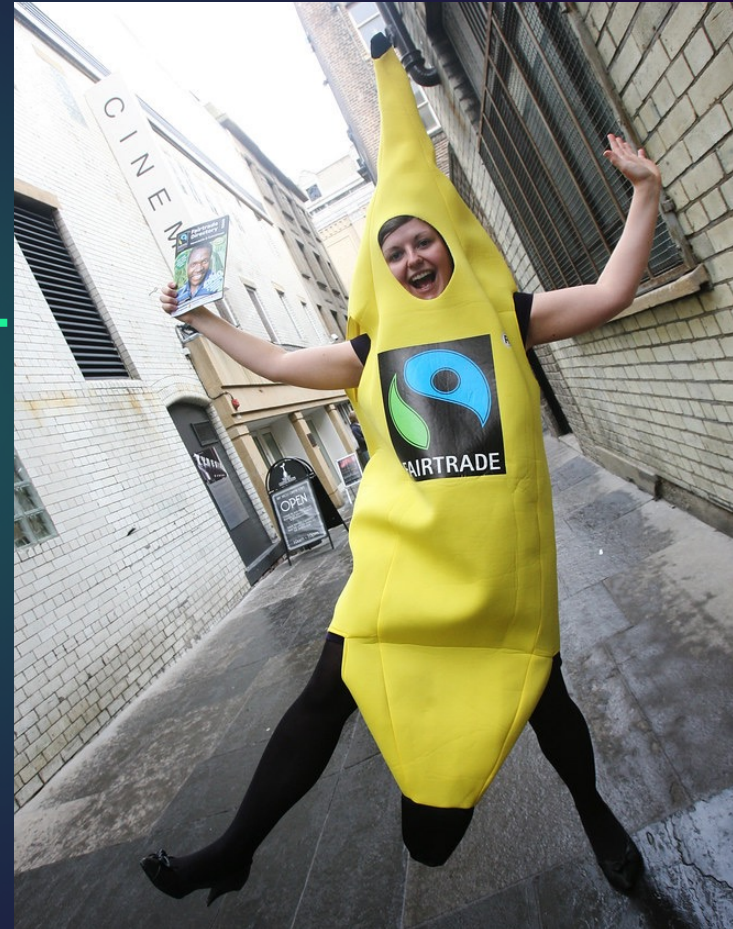
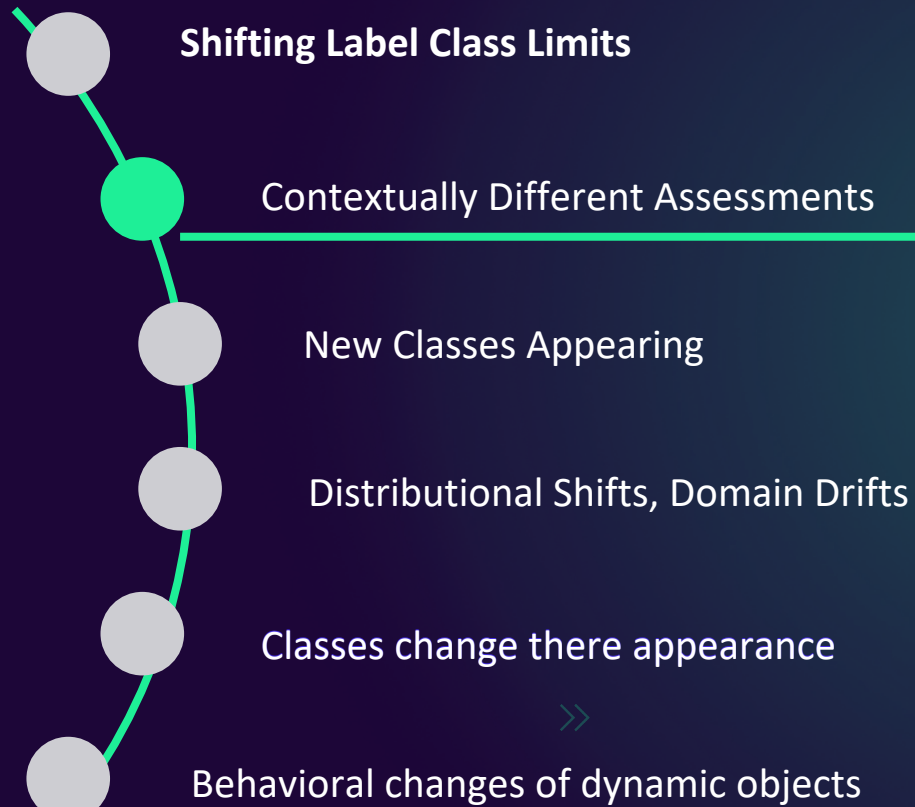
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Behavioral changes of dynamic objects



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Generative AI

Foundational Models and Intelligent analysis for rapid data driven safety

- Foundational models contain strong semantic world understanding and scale over multiple tasks
- Generative AI can be used to automatically create both development artifacts (requirements, test cases etc) as well as test data
- Foundational models can be used for automatic tagging, ingestion of safety knowledge and analysis of large amounts of evidence

Recent AI forthcomingings will revolutionize Safety Engineering

Cooperation across industries, academia, society

Reaching a reflected consensus

- An approach to safety will ultimately be dependent on choices and assumptions that need careful weighing and argumentation
- Cross-society cooperation will lead to accepted standards
- Regulation and standardization will need to go hand in hand with academic process
- A rapid transition of innovation to industrial application will serve performance and safety.

Through cooperation, progress is accelerated considerably.

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